

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1459

Introduced by Assembly Member Huber

January 9, 2012

An act to amend Section 39904 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to state government.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1459, as introduced, Huber. Scientific Advisory Committee on Acid Deposition.

Existing law establishes the Scientific Advisory Committee on Acid Deposition to assist the State Air Resources Board in the development and implementation of the Atmospheric Acidity Protection Program.

This bill would abolish the Scientific Advisory Committee on Acid Deposition.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 39904 of the Health and Safety Code is
- 2 amended to read:
- 3 39904. (a) The state board shall adopt and implement an
- 4 Atmospheric Acidity Protection Program (AAPP), to determine
- 5 the nature and extent of potential damage to public health and the
- 6 state's ecosystem which may be expected to result from
- 7 atmospheric acidity, and to develop measures which may be needed
- 8 for the protection of public health and sensitive ecosystems within
- 9 the state.

1 (b) The program shall commence upon the final compilation of
2 information obtained pursuant to the former Kapiloff Acid
3 Deposition Act, shall incorporate the research results and
4 assessments undertaken pursuant to that act, and shall endeavor
5 to acquire the latest available information on the chemical and
6 biological processes in sensitive ecosystems which preceded the
7 acidification of lakes and streams in other parts of the world.
8 ~~(c) The Scientific Advisory Committee on Acid Deposition,~~
9 ~~appointed pursuant to the Kapiloff Acid Deposition Act is~~
10 ~~continued in existence, and shall actively assist the state board in~~
11 ~~the development and implementation of the Atmospheric Acidity~~
12 ~~Protection Program.~~